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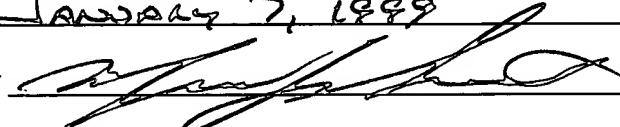
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 7, 1998, Paper No. 6, please amend and reconsider the above referenced patent application.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 6 and 17; and amend claims 1, 5, 7-9, 13 and 16 as follows:

1. A lighting assembly for a running board of a vehicle, comprising:

at least one light tube extending along at least a portion of the running board; and

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